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**Office Action Summary**

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Examiner

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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

**Status**

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 16 December 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

**Disposition of Claims**

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 116-175 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 116-175 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

**Application Papers**

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- 11) ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is: a) ☐ approved b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
- If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action.
- 12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

**Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120**

- 13) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- \* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.
- 14) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application).
- a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.
- 15) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121.

**Attachment(s)**

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s) 12/09/03  
11/21/03
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s). \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other:

## DETAILED ACTION

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

The changes made to 35 U.S.C. 102(e) by the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA) and the Intellectual Property and High Technology Technical Amendments Act of 2002 do not apply when the reference is a U.S. patent resulting directly or indirectly from an international application filed before November 29, 2000. Therefore, the prior art date of the reference is determined under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) prior to the amendment by the AIPA (pre-AIPA 35 U.S.C. 102(e)).

Claims 116-175 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by *Molnar et al.*, (US 5,166,886), cited as prior art dated 12/9/03.

As per claims 116, 128, 140, and 152, 155-175, *Molnar* teaches a method for distributing content to a user station (Fig.1), comprising:

- providing a first portable storage medium (col.4, lines 5-7), the first portable storage medium including first fixed content (computer programs) and computer executable software;
- wherein when the first portable storage medium is used at the user station (home computer), the computer executable software can be installed on the user station to (i) enable a user at the user station to access first remote content from a first remote content source, the first remote content relating to the first fixed content and (ii) enable the use to access second remote content from a second remote content source, the second remote content relating to second fixed content, the second fixed content being different from the first fixed content, and the second fixed content being included on a second portable storage. (Abstract, cols. 2-18)

As per claims 117, 129, 141, and 141, *Molnar* teaches wherein the first portable storage medium further includes a specification of predefined transport tasks, and wherein the user station initiates connections to the first remote content source in accordance with the predefined transport tasks. (col. 1, lines 34-60 and col. 2, lines 17-29)

As per claims 118, 130, and 142, *Molnar* teaches wherein the first remote content is provided to the user with a first look and feel specific to the first fixed content and wherein the second remote content is provided to the user with a second look and feel specific to the second fixed content.

As per claims 119, 131, and 143, *Molnar* does not clearly teach wherein the first look and feel is customized by an author of the first fixed content and wherein the second look and feel is customized by an author of the second fixed content.

As per claims 122, 134, 146, and 153, *Molnar* teaches wherein the computer executable software can be installed on the user station to (iii) establish connections between the user station and the first and second remote content sources.

As per claims 123, 135, 147, and 154, *Molnar* teaches wherein the connections are based on events that are initiated by the user.

As per claims 124, 136, and 148, *Molnar* teaches wherein the connections are based on events that are initiated by the first fixed content and the second fixed content if the data needs to be updated.

As per claims 125, 137, and 149, *Molnar* teaches wherein the details associated with the connections are transparent to the user.

As per claims 126, 138, and 150, *Molnar* teaches wherein the first fixed content can be presented to the user together with the first remote content in such a manner

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that the user perceives a seamless integration of the first fixed content and the first remote content and wherein the second fixed content can be presented to the user together with the second remote content in such a manner that the user perceives a seamless integration of the second fixed content and the second remote content.

As per claims 127, 139, and 151, *Molnar* inherently teaches wherein the first portable storage medium further includes link data identifying the first remote content source.

### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tammara Peyton whose telephone number is (571) 272-4157. The examiner can normally be reached between 6:30 - 4:00 from Monday to Thursday, (I am off every first Friday), and 6:30-3:00 every second Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dov Popovici, can be reached on (571) 272-4083. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 305-3718. Any inquiry of a general nature of relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-2100.

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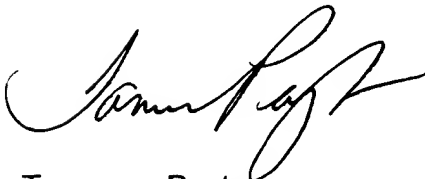
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tammara Peyton', with a stylized, flowing script.

Tammara Peyton

June 29, 2005